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## From The President's Desk

Bhaswati Mukherjee

Dear Friends and Family,

**O**UR SARVODAYA FAMILY came together to celebrate India's Independence Day involving our children and honoring our elders. Shri Somnath Bharti, our local MLA, gave an inspirational patriotic address which concluded with the hoisting of our 'Tiranga'. He paid tribute to a community initiative 'Do Mutthi Aahaar' which he vowed would be replicated throughout his constituency.

The bountiful rains that we enjoyed also brought a host of viruses, leaving our community to grapple with many ailments. We are grateful to the MCD for their timely response to our many requests for fumigation, tree pruning and grass cutting and maintenance of our parks. Somnathji also responded personally to my request to resolve our colony's water crisis. We would like to express appreciation both to MCD headed by Shri Satish Upadhayay as well as to our MLA.

Allow me to touch upon the functioning of Resident Welfare Association's, which are elected civic bodies that represent the interests of the residents of a specific urban locality in an Indian city. Thus, a RWA represents the voice of the people. Any non-elected, nominated body such as Mohalla Sabhas, set up by a political party within a democracy and headed by a representative who is a member of that party cannot challenge, interfere or usurp the functions of a RWA. It is for this reason, because of the intrinsic conflict of interest involved in their functioning, that in many colonies RWAs have not allowed Mohalla Sabhas to function. Let me assure you that we would continue to discharge our functions as the elected representatives of the residents. We eagerly await the outcome of the elections to the Society so that we can all work together to make this a model colony.

Democracy and freedom are interlinked. Democratically elected representatives need space and freedom to function. Benjamin Franklin had said: **"A democracy is two wolves and a small lamb voting on what to have for dinner. Freedom is a well armed lamb insisting on his rights."**

We would insist on our right to represent the interests of the residents and to function without hindrance.



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## Child Prodigy amongst us in Sarvodaya Enclave

Solo Bharatnatyam performance

**A**DITI, daughter of Anitha and Balasubramanian (C-166 Ground Floor) performed her Arangetram (first solo public performance) in Bharatanatyam at The Chinmaya Mission Auditorium on August 13. Padma Vibhushan Smt Sonal Mansingh and Shri S Sandilya, Chairman, Eicher Group, were the Chief Guests for the function. The 400-plus audience thoroughly enjoyed Aditi's performance, and the Chief Guests praised Aditi and her Guru, the renowned dancer Padma Shri Geeta Chandran. Aditi has been Guru Geetaji's disciple for the past nine years.

A student of Class X at The Mother's International School, Aditi believes that dance is not a hobby for her; it has been, and will always be, an integral part of her life. **We wish her all success in her life ahead!**

